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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

GABRIEL EDWARD M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

07/26/2007

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

TRI VALLEY CORP [TIV]

4550 CALIFORNIA

AVENUE, Â SUITE 600

(Street)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

X Director Officer

10% Owner _Other (give title below) (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

BAKERSFIELD, CAÂ 93309

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities

Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

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(Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

Common Stock

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

34,000

D

SEC 1473 (7-02)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security** (Instr. 4)

Conversion or Exercise Price of

5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Title

Derivative Security

Direct (D)

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	08/01/2012	Common Stock	100,000	\$ 6.49	D	Â

Deletionships

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
GABRIEL EDWARD M 4550 CALIFORNIA AVENUE SUITE 600 BAKERSFIELD, CA 93309	ÂX	Â	Â	Â	

Signatures

/s/ John Durbin by Power of Attorney for the Reporting 06/23/2011 Person **Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
- Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- This Option shall become exercisable as follows: 20,000 shares as of 08/01/2007. Starting in 2008; 20,000 shares every time Dr. Edward M. Gabriel is reelected director of Tri-Valley Corporation through 12/31/2011.

Date

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Remarks:

EXHIBIT LIST: Exhibit 24.1 Power of Attorney

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